

The Eubanks Echo

Eubanks Intermediate School
Mark Terry, Principal

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Beverly Hattois, PTO President

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Noon, Ensemble Room

May 4th
Mom's Morning (see page

May 5th
DFD Celebrity Sports
Jamboree (See page 5 for
details.)

May 10th
EIS PTO Luncheon, Noon
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on page 3 for details.)

May 28th
No School

June 8th
Last day of school.

June 9th
Fun 5K (See "Kick Off
Summer" on page 4 for
details.)

June 15th
Report Cards

Eubanks Echo

If you would like to contribute to the Eubanks Echo, please contact Caren Wolf at caren.wolf@verizon.net.

A Word from Mr. Terry

Parents - Congratulations to the students, faculty, and staff of Eubanks Intermediate regarding our state testing results. The scores we have so far are 5th grade reading (99%) and 5th grade math (98%).

You also play an important role in making our students successful on the TAKS tests and with their everyday school work. I appreciate your support of not only your student, but also your support of all of our kids here at EIS.

Thanks to the 2006-2007 Eubanks PTO for their service to our school. If not for this dedicated group of volunteers our school would not function as well as it does nor would we be able to offer many of the fun and exciting programs for our students. Whether it's serving as a room mom, being involved with fundraising activities, organizing and/or supporting school activities, or working our front desk, our volunteers provide many valuable services to our school. Thank you!

Please congratulate Mrs. Beverly Hattois as she is our Eubanks Intermediate School Volunteer of the Year for 2006-2007. Mrs. Hattois has served as the PTO president for the last two years. She has worked tirelessly to help make our school and our PTO benefit of our students.

If you haven't heard already, Mrs. Cindi Arnold is the Eubanks Intermediate School 2006-2007 Teacher of the Year. Mrs. Arnold has been teaching in the Carroll ISD since 1994. She helped us open Eubanks Intermediate School in 2001 and currently serves as our 6th grade accelerated math teacher. We are proud to have Mrs. Arnold represent Eubanks as our Teacher of the Year and for the work she does with our students each day.

Thanks for allowing us the honor of working with your student.

Mark Terry, Principal

President's Corner

overwhelming support, we approved almost \$24,000 in disbursements that went toward things like our Extended Day program, a multimedia projector, card, stand and camera, the Roots of Freedom Gallery and virtually every teacher/staff need, large and small, that was brought before us this year. There are a few additional disbursements that are in the discussion phase and will be brought before the General membership at the May 3rd General meeting.

They don't call it Friday the 13th for nothing! This year's Celebration of the Arts got off to a "thunderous" start. Shortly after the program started, the severe weather siren went off. On the recommendation of the police, the event was cancelled and rescheduled for Thursday, April 19th. Unfortunately, due to many conflicts, the band was unable to perform on the rescheduled date. Those students and families who were able to come on April 19th enjoyed listening to the choir and the band soloists and strolling through the hallways to admire the wonderful art pieces crafted by our own 5th and 6th graders. A huge thank you goes out to the Special Events chairs, Lisa Angeli, Sharon Asbury and Colleen Monroe. This is their second, and final, year in this position and they have done an outstanding job!

As we begin to wind up this year, I want to say thank you to all the PTO Board members for the wonderful job they have done this year. What a smooth and fun year it has been. Our last General meeting will be held on May 3rd where we will welcome the new board members and said goodbye to the ones moving on. We will culminate the year on Thursday, May 10th at 11:30 am at our annual Old Board/New Board luncheon. Sherri Williams has graciously agreed to host this event again this year.

I'd like to say a very special thank you to the Executive Committee: Trish Balew, V.P. of Disbursements, Sandy Seaton, Treasurer, Pam Francis, Recording Secretary and Lynne Anderson, Communications Coordinator who made my job enjoyable this year. I couldn't have asked for more intelligent and dedicated women to work with.

And last, but not least, a very heartfelt thanks to Mr. Terry, Miss Gillum, the staff, and all the teachers for working so hard everyday to provide such a loving atmosphere for 5th and 6th graders to learn and grow. Eubanks Intermediate is truly a great place to be!

Beverly Hattois, EIS PTO President



We collected a fantastic 7,330 box tops for a total of \$743 during our Box Top contest. Ms. Holland's (5th) and Ms. Dearing's (6th) classrooms collected the most box tops in their respective grades and the students enjoyed an extra recess session for their efforts. Thanks to all the parents who helped make this fundraiser a success.

From Mrs. Gillum...

We are very proud of the hard work our students put forth during these last weeks of TAKS testing. Their hard work has paid off and is evident in our incredible scores!

There are so many groups I'd like to thank as we wind down for the year. Your dedication has provided so many exciting opportunities for our students and teachers. Thank you, thank you to all of you... our PTO Board, DAC, SHAC Liaison, Communications Coordinator, School Board Liaison, Art Docents, A+ Attitude, Beautification, CARE Committee, School Directory, Educational Programs, Fundraising, Historians, Publicity, Homeroom Moms, Hospitality, PTO Membership, Newsletter, Outreach, Special Events, Spirit Shop, Teacher Treats, Volunteer Coordinators and Welcome Committee. Thank you for your hard work! We appreciate all of you!

On another note, we'd love to have your gently used backpacks. Instead of having them clutter your house for the summer, drop them off at the front office. We would like to send these to an orphanage in Nuevo Laredo, Mexico.

Mrs. Gillum, EIS Assistant Principal

May Library News

I'd like to begin this month's newsletter with a note of thanks. Thank you to all our wonderful library volunteers. This dedicated team of volunteers enabled us to offer our students many library programs and personal attention. Juliana Shiminski was our volunteer coordinator this year and she always made sure that the library calendar was staffed with helping hands. Thanks to: Sue Armstrong, Susan Berg, Jan Boland, Sue Booth, Elaine Cressionnie, Kim Deras, Karen Dickey, Brenda Flores, Shirley Gaal, Patsy Grice, Viola LaFevers, Katherine Lang, Maury Li, Kari Litwak, Nancy Maenza, Joan O'Brien, Kathy Roberts, Kathleen Ruth, Mary Ryniak, Paige Taub, and Jenny Waddell.

We've had another great year in the library. Thanks to our generous PTO we were able to enjoy storytelling with Tom McDermott. We also had a Fall Book Fair, a book swap to celebrate Children's Book Week, Big Six Research classes, Bluebonnet books and raffle prizes, and an amazing Battle of the Books. I'd like to thank you for encouraging all the student participation and lending tremendous parental support for our programs. We'd like to thank several area businesses for their support of Eubanks' programs. We'd like to thank several area businesses for their support of Eubanks' Library. The incentives they offered helped add sparkle to our library reading programs. Thanks to: Milwaukee Joe's, Main Event, Jamba Juice, and Piccolo Molo.

Our sixth grade class read over 1,211 books in preparation for the Battle of the Books competition. With 162 books read, congratulations to Mrs. McKeel's home room for winning the class competition. We also had 52 students read all 8 of the Battle Books in order to earn The Revved Up Reader Award. It was a record breaking year as students read their way to victory. The final battle was amazing. All of the teams were well prepared on every book. Congratulations to the Books-A-Crombie team from Ms. Trower's class and The Smartie Pants team from Mrs. Loewen's class for a great game. The Reading Rage team from Mrs. Kris's homeroom was named the Eubanks Champs with University Textbook team from Mrs. McKeel's homeroom as the runners-up. We are very proud of all the reading Eubanks' students have done as they read their way to victory!

News about next year's Bluebonnets will be placed in your mail call folders in late May. The information will also be posted on the library web site. Students going to 7th grade will want to check out some of the new Lone Star books. Both of the lists may be found at www.txla.org. Be sure to put the Southlake Public Library on your list of places to visit this summer and keep cool with a good book!

Calling all books! Please be sure to return all library materials by Friday, May 25th!

Thank you for your help on our final book round up!

Lucy Drenka, EIS Librarian

Congratulations Revved Up Readers 2007

Anderson

Amy Grice
Lindsey Lunden
Brooke Morgan
Lisa Mayer
Regina Phelps
Lauren Ryniak
Shelby Shao

Dearing

Nicklaus Bockenfeld
Joshua Dadson
Jake Tovey

Gavin

Gabrielle Cornish
Caitlin Eames
Marit Ripley

Hollander

Nicholas Booth

Kreis

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Kelly Joyner
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Spencer Sunstrum
Ben Walker
Austin Walsh
Brittany Wang

Loewen

Will Bacius

McKeel

Josiah Choe
Sara Faris
Lydia Frances
Matthew Gaal
Gregory Lang
Corie McAnally
Carolyn Mediterraneo
Jonah Nonomaque
Miranda Roberts
Yassi Sahba
Emily Zapinski

Middleton

Paulette Cunningham
Austin Deters
John Hawes
Summer Meacham
Alex Salanty

Moore

Kelsey Bronson
Courtney Kent
Lauren Lunden
Drew Petty
Rachel Porter

Trower

William Carter
Madison Hayes
Trevor Wolf

Wong

Ashley Acker
William Ballew
Darren Keen

Celebration of the Arts

Drawing Donors

Thank you to the following people and companies for their generous donations to the Celebration of the Arts:

- EIS teachers, administration and cafeteria staff
- American Girl
- Academy Sports & Outdoors
- AIM Fundraising
- Chick-Fil-A
- Harkins Theatres
- Panera Bread
- Various anonymous donors

Greetings, from the EIS Band!

Hello, Eubanks parents, students and faculty!

The EIS band attended the 37th annual Sandy Lake Band Fun-Fest. They played two songs, **Mt. Vernon March** and **Antiquitus**, for three judges and a crowd of parents.

The band performed very well and received three Superior (I) ratings for their efforts as well as a First Division Trophy. The judges had positive and helpful comments that we will convey to the kiddos. The band directors are very proud of the band's performance and behavior on their trip. We sincerely thank all of you for your flexibility, support and encouragement.

EIS 5th grade teachers and parents, please tell your students that we are looking forward to repeating our success next year so come ready to play!

Have a great day! **The Band Guys**

Counselor's Connection

(Kids Who Rule the Roost May Not Become Well-Adjusted Adults)

Many kids today know they can govern family activities and decisions. Not getting what they want is unfamiliar to them.

The power to control is given to kids by parents with good intentions, but studies show that their children are likely to become self-centered, unpleasant adults who may be unable to make solid relationships or get along with fellow workers.

As teens, they are less likely to get along with others, do well in school, and are more likely to experiment with drugs.

There are a number of reasons parents don't impose rules. Here are some of them:

- Parents are afraid they'll damage their child's spirit, creativity, and self-esteem. The truth is, kids not only need limits, they want them. It makes their world predictable and safe.
- Parents don't want to see their child unhappy. But one who never experiences adversity or disappointment may be unable to deal with the challenges of adult life.
- Parents can afford to fulfill their child's every demand. This creates a false sense of entitlement and an inability to delay gratification.
- Parents don't want to be tyrants. But the child needs a parent, not a buddy.
- Parents are afraid of losing the child's love. Kids are not so fragile that they can't withstand a request to take out the trash.

Parents can be authoritative while not being authoritarian. They can establish a loving combination of warmth, nurturing, and firmness, says Dr. Lawrence Steinberg, a psychology professor at Temple University.

To change a parenting style, you can start with small things. But if a line is crossed, there must be consequences. When we hand kids too much power, the result is anarchy and chaos in our homes.

Lindsey Browning, Counselor

Old Board/New Board Luncheon

Thursday, May 10
11:30 am

Hosted by Sherri Williams
1177 Adams Lane

RSVP to Sherri @ xian11@verizon.net
by Tuesday, May 8

Current Board members - Please bring your favorite salad to share with the upcoming 2007-2008 Board members.

Mom's Morning

Moms ~ Be sure to join us **Friday, May 4th, 7:30 – 8:30 am in the Eubanks Cafeteria** with your EIS student for a breakfast honoring **YOU!**



Quest Events

There are some exciting things going on in May in the Quest room!

THINKING CAP QUIZ BOWL OF AMERICA

5th grade Quest will have a contest in each class to see who the top students are who can answer the most fact questions correctly about AMERICA through the decades. These students will then be entered as a team in an Online Thinking Cap Quiz Bowl Contest against student teams at the same age level from all across the country. The online team contest will start at 7:30 a.m. on the morning of May 8. We will get the final results on May 11.

"GREAT AMERICANS OF THE TWENTIETH CENTURY" Production

Save the date ***

May 30th at 7:00 p.m., 5th grade Quest students will be performing on stage a musical comedy of "Great Americans of the Twentieth Century". Come watch and be entertained with a connection of art, music and singing to give you a learning experience that makes History, Literature, and Science jump out of the textbooks and come alive!

ROBOTICS RESEARCHERS, ENGINEERS, AND PROGRAMMERS

Ask your 6th grade Quest student about Exploring Mars and the Mars Rover they have been building. This event will culminate at the end of the year by the students programming by computer their RCX robotic to maneuver across the terrain of Mars and be able to pick up pieces along a course that will include craters, boulders, and core samples. Truly a SCIENTIFIC experience!

Julie McMurrey, EIS 5th & 6th Grade Quest

Kick Off Summer with. . .

Attention Parents: KICK OFF your summer with a fun 5K! Mark your calendars now for Saturday, June 9th. The Carroll Cross Country Team will be helping host a 5K Race at Dragon Stadium. The race begins at 8:00 am. Sign up forms will be coming home soon through your child's school.

The registration fee is \$20. Proceeds from the race benefit mission work - Hurricane Katrina rebuilds and medical mission trips to Mexico. A portion of the proceeds also goes to the Carroll Cross Country programs.

On the registration form you can note your child's school and for each child or child's family member who signs up, your child's school will receive \$5 of the fee.

Questions? Contact your school's PE teacher, Running Club coordinator or Robert Ondrasek, Boys and Girls Cross Country Coach, at Carroll Senior High School.

Thanks in advance for your support!

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Welcome	Jacqueline Westerberg
Welcome	Joan Gonzales

Digging For Dragon Celebrity Sports Jamboree A CISD PROGRAMS Fundraiser

This Saturday, May 5th 3-8PM
Dragon Stadium

We'll have Fun for the entire Family ...

Kidz Art Plaza
Petting Zoo
Dunk Tank
Summit Climbing Wall
The Dance Force
Dana's Studio Of Dance
Celebrity Signing Booth
Russell Maryland's Fantasy Football Clinic
Dana's Hip Hop Clinics
Dragon's Fire Run....
and much more!

Please go to our website www.diggingfordragons.com for more information and to download the pre registration forms.

If you'd like to volunteer for this event or has a child that would like community service hours, please contact Vicki Adams,
Vickij003@AOL.COM

Thank you for helping make a difference in our children's EDUCATION!